

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method of changing the mounting condition of a printing master on a printing master cylinder, the printing master including a leading edge and a trailing edge, the printing master cylinder including a first leading receiving element for receiving and releasing the leading edge and a ~~second~~ trailing receiving element for receiving and releasing the trailing edge, the method comprising:

mounting a printing master including the successive steps of:

rotating the printing master cylinder at a first mounting speed;

reducing the speed of the printing master cylinder from the first mounting speed to a second mounting speed ~~defining a third phase~~ at a leading reducing speed phase position of the printing master cylinder;

~~actuating the first or second~~ closing the leading receiving element in ~~at least one a~~ leading closing phase position ~~of the printing master cylinder, the printing master cylinder being rotated with the second mounting speed during closing of the leading receiving element;~~

increasing the speed of the printing master cylinder from the second mounting speed ~~defining a fourth~~ during an acceleration phase position ~~of the printing master cylinder;~~

reducing the speed of the printing master cylinder to a third mounting speed at a trailing reducing speed phase position; and

closing the trailing receiving element at a trailing closing phase position while the printing master cylinder is rotated with the third mounting speed;

dismounting the printing master including the successive steps of:

rotating the printing master cylinder at a first dismounting speed;

reducing the speed of the printing master cylinder from the first dismounting speed to a second dismounting speed at a dismount trailing reducing speed phase position of the printing master cylinder;

opening the trailing receiving element at a trailing opening phase position of the printing master cylinder, the printing master cylinder being rotated with the second dismounting speed during opening of the trailing receiving element; and

increasing the speed of the printing master cylinder from the second dismounting speed during a dismount acceleration phase position.

wherein, for mounting a printing master on the printing master cylinder, actuating the first or second receiving element in the at least one phase position includes closing the first receiving element;

wherein, for dismounting a printing master from the printing master cylinder, actuating the first or second receiving element in at least one phase position includes opening the second receiving element to release the trailing edge of the printing master.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The method recited in claim 1, further comprising the successive steps of:

reducing the speed of the printing master cylinder to a third dismounting speed at a dismount leading reducing speed phase position after the dismount acceleration phase position;  
and

opening the leading receiving element at a leading opening phase position.

rotating the printing master cylinder at further different speeds between further phase positions.

Claim 3 (withdrawn – currently amended): The Mmethod according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein the change of the mounting condition consists of includes mounting or dismounting a printing master (14).

Claim 4 (withdrawn – currently amended): The Mmethod according to claim 3, characterized in that wherein the printing master (14) is fed to a printing master changing device (22) as it the printing master is dismounted or that the printing master (14) is taken from a printing master changing device (22) as it the printing master is mounted.

Claim 5 (withdrawn – currently amended): ~~The M~~method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein during mounting of the when a~~ printing master (14) is mounted, the speed is reduced after a holding element (24) of the printing master (14) has been disengaged and before the trailing edge is inserted into the ~~second~~ trailing receiving element.

Claim 6 (withdrawn – currently amended): ~~The M~~method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that when wherein during dismounting of the a~~ printing master (14) is dismounted, the speed is reduced to a ~~second value~~ third dismounting speed after a part of the printing master (14) has been ~~is~~ removed from the printing master cylinder (10) and the speed is increased after the first leading receiving element ~~has been is~~ opened.

Claim 7 (withdrawn – currently amended): ~~The M~~method according to claim 6, ~~characterized in that wherein the~~ speed is increased essentially to the first dismounting speed ~~value it had before it was reduced.~~

Claim 8 (withdrawn – currently amended): ~~A M~~method of changing printing masters (14) ~~an on~~ a printing master cylinder (10) with a first printing master (14) being dismounted from the printing master cylinder (10) and a second printing master (14) being mounted to the printing master cylinder (10), ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the dismounting of the first printing master (14) ~~and/or the mounting of the second printing master (14) is carried out in accordance with a method as set forth in claim 1.~~

Claim 9 (withdrawn – currently amended): ~~A P~~Printing unit (16) having comprising:

at least one printing master cylinder, (10) and

a control unit that includes a processing unit and a memory, ~~characterized in that the~~ memory ~~contains including~~ a printing unit (16) control program including at least one part that, as ~~it the printing unit control program~~ is carried out by the processing unit of the control unit, controls a method of changing the mounting condition of a printing master (14) on the printing master cylinder (10) in accordance with claim 1.

Claim 10 (withdrawn – currently amended): A printing press (18), characterized by comprising  
at least one printing unit (16) in accordance with claim 9.